

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

<b>In re Application of:</b> Sekhar Boddupalli et al.	<b>Group Art Unit:</b> 1618
<b>Serial NO.:</b> 10/630,170	<b>Examiner:</b> Vickie Y. Kim
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<b>For:</b> FURANONE DERIVATIVES	<b>Attorney Docket NO.:</b> 35-21 (54828)B/US

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT DATED 23 APRIL,**  
**2007**

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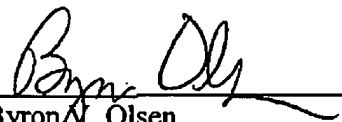
This paper is submitted in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, dated 23 April, 2007 for which the Response to Restriction Requirement, dated 19 January 2007 did not meet the requirements set forth in Restriction Requirement, dated 8 September 2006. Applicants hereby request that the condition of dermatitis from Group A be examined along with electing a species of furanones of Formula I or III consisting of claims 3-4 and 7 with traverse and respectfully request that the application be examined on the merits. Applicants renew their belief that it would not create an undue burden on the Examiner to conduct a search encompassing all of the claims. Further, Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications to further prosecute non-elected groups.

This paper is also filed along with a petition to revive an unintentional abandonment. Due to clerical error, the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was mailed to an incorrect address, and

was not forwarded to us. Applicant had acquired an interest in this intellectual property when the previous holder had declared bankruptcy thereafter, we attempted to transfer prosecution to Monsanto, but this application had not been fully integrated into Applicant's internal tracking database. Our failure to respond was brought to our attention when the Examiner called and left a voice mail on 17 November 2008 inquiring about this application. Please charge the fee of \$1620.00 for the petition from Deposit Account No. 13-4125. Applicants hereby request Examiner to charge any additional fees that may be necessary or refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4125.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned patent attorney at (314) 694-2633 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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